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# Novelty Dahlias

**MINIMUM ORDER—\$5.00**

5¢ per bulb extra in less than 5 of a variety.

## **ANDRIES ORANGE—Semi-Cactus Min.**

An ideal cut flower and very free blooming. The color is bright orange blending very well with fall colors. Good healthy stock and long stems..... .15

## **ARTHUR GODFREY—Formal Decorative**

Beautiful Orient red with orange or buff shadings. A real GIANT and great prize-winner. Blooms 12x6. Very highly recommended. Good root maker and blooms profusely ..... .20

## **BLUE HORIZON—Informal Dec.**

Winner of the American Home Achievement Medal and Honor Roll Dahlia. Large blooms of French Violet with a decided blue cast. Long pointed petals with absolutely tight centers. Good stiff stem holds the flower well out of the foliage. Bush tall (six feet) and low branching. This dahlia has always won the blue ribbon whenever shown. Excellent keeping qualities, on the bush and when cut..... .18

## **CHARLOTTE CALDWELL—Ball**

An excellent dahlia for landscaping. This sturdy bush is covered with russet tan blooms from early to late. Good bulbs and insect resistant..... .15

## **DIXIE'S WINE DOT—Informal Decorative**

Variegated. Color white or orchid, wavy petals flecked and dotted light ampro purple and also deep rhodamine purple. Size 10 to 12 inches. Do not disbud and debranch too much. This unusual dahlia is beautiful in any garden..... .45

## **FRED SPRINGER—Informal Decorative**

A beautiful bright red to scarlet with foliage of lacy appearance. This Dahlia is highly recommended for border or hedge purposes; a row of it has the appearance of a well trimmed hedge with many blooms ..... .15

## **HASLEROVA—Informal Decorative**

Bi-color, grayish white background with rich royal purple dots and splashes..... .15

## **IDA DE VER WARNER—Formal Decorative**

Large lavender. Very good. One of the best dahlias grown ..... .12



### **JAMES KIRBY—Informal Decorative**

A standard red dahlia that has been on the market for years. It holds up very good when cut..... .09

### **JERSEYS BEAUTY—Formal Decorative**

A perfect bloom of erosion pink. The best pink dahlia to date..... .22

### **KENTUCKY—Formal Decorative**

This is the best sport of Jersey beauty that we have found. The flowers equal or surpass its parent. Color is a rich salmon pink. Long stems, excellent cut flower and good keeper ..... .15

### **KENTUCKY SUN—Formal Decorative**

A clear bright, glistening yellow, of giant size. Free blooming and keeps excellent when cut..... .10

### **KING OF BLACKS—Formal Decorative**

One of the outstanding black red dahlias on the market today. It is a very early bloomer and the flowers extend well above the foliage. A good root maker..... .25

### **MAFFIE—Semi-Cactus**

Bloom 12x6, bush 6 ft. Intense carmine red of stupendous size. Bush growth is very rugged and foliage exceptionally heavy..... .50

### **MARGARET WOODROW WILSON—Inf. Dec.**

Opalescent pink. Huge flowers of exhibition type. Another of our favorites and it always attracts attention. Don't be without it..... .21

### **MILTON J. CROSS—Informal Dec.**

An immense flower of rich yellow-buff, the outer petals flushed with rosy amber. Winner of five firsts, including three Achievement Medals. Long stiff stems; good grower ..... .11

### **MONARCH OF THE EAST—For. Dec.**

Color warm gold with apricot and orange buff suffusion; slightly coppery red on reverse. Grand stem up to 4 ft.; holds giant flower above bush. Size 12 to 14 inch blooms and fine for exhibition. We recommend this ..... .32

### **MRS. JAMES ALBIN—Formal Decorative**

A florist variety. Bloom 7x4. Color is clear yellow. We highly recommend this dahlia for cutting. Blooms fairly early and continues till frost. Stems long and strong, bushes very healthy and free branching. Very good ..... .08

### **NEGUS—Formal Decorative**

We consider this the best black dahlia. Plants extremely robust, long stems, insect resisting. Try it on our recommendation. Good size blooms, held erect..... .14

## **NEW YORK MARKET—Formal Decorative**

A beautiful long stem white dahlia. Excellent keeping qualities after cutting. Good root maker. Early in season centers are tinged with lavender, but would be call a double white flower..... .09

## **OGDEN REID—Informal Decorative**

A giant flower of French rose pink with yellow base. Cane-like stems, vigorous grower and a good bloomer. One of the best big pinks. Good root-maker and eyes freely ..... .15

## **OAKLEIGH CHAMPION—Incurved Cactus**

Straw yellow heavily overlaid with rhodamine pink. This is one of the best cactus dahlias. Finely formed on long stems. Free bloomer ..... .12

## **PREMIERS WINSOME—Informal Decorative**

A clear, light mellow pink. Bloom 11x6. Bush 4½ ft. This is a very reliable and free bloomer, many canes producing the very large and lasting flowers steadily over a long season. All plants for us are strong and vigorous..... .24

## **RED JERSEY BEAUTY—Informal Decorative**

A nice red dahlia the size and shape of Jersey Beauty. Used generally for cut flowers ..... .14

## **RICKEY—Informal Decorative**

A bright red and white variegated. This outstanding variety is 3½ to 4 inches in diameter ..... .25

## **ROSE FALLON—Formal Decorative**

Very fine flower of pleasing shades of amber, russet and salmon..... .28

## **ROSE GLORY—Formal Decorative**

Always vigorous, healthy, free-blooming, on long stems. Very long-keeping and a lovely deep rose-pink in color..... .14

## **RUFFLES—Informal Decorative**

Long stemmed dahlia, 10-inch bloom (larger when disbudded). Beautiful shell pink with ruffles on both sides of petals ..... .60

## **SON OF SATAN—Cactus**

An incurved cactus flame red with excellent stems. This sensational four Honor Roll Dahlia is the strongest and most vigorous grower in our collection. The flowers are large and attractive..... .25

## **THE REAL GLORY—Formal Decorative**

Giant pure white. Bush 5-6 ft., with long stems. This is perhaps the most reliable large white and has been for several years ..... .28

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## **VICTORY—Formal Decorative**

A beautiful large salmon pink. Flowers held erect on long stiff stem. A good cut erect on long stiff stem. A good cut flower .09

## **SPECIAL SEED HOUSE COLLECTION—No. 1**

100 Bulbs consisting of 10 each of 10 named varieties from this list. (Our selection.) Made up of all different colors. This group of dahlias are especially selected for Seed Stores or Florists to resell..... 9.90

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## **DAHLIAS FROM OUR GARDENS ARE OF VERY GOOD QUALITY AND NOT EXPENSIVE, THEREFORE BUY YOUR DAHLIAS FROM A SPECIALIST!**

This catalogue includes a fine collection of commercial cutflower varieties in several sizes, as well as large flowering dahlias for the garden.

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## **OUR BULBS ARE GOVERNMENT INSPECTED**

Stock offered are strong divisions of field clumps.

We guarantee all shipments to be sent out in good growing condition, plump, true to name and of standard size.

All complaints must be made within ten (10) days after receipt of shipment. (Except being true to name, and that as soon as possible.)

**TERMS**—Are cash or part cash, with C. O. D. shipments. No packing charges.

Telegraph orders receive our special attention.

Dahlia bulbs shipped by express are rated as second class and are listed as perishable.

All freight and parcel post shipments travel at purchaser's risk as freight companies do not insure against freeze. Freight shipments travel slow and are handled rough. First-class freight costs about the same as express.

If order is not too large, it will travel much cheaper via parcel post. We will be glad to help you watch the weather to keep your bulbs from freezing.


If no postage is included with parcel post order, we will send C. O. D. for postage.

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**GOOD PLUMP BULBS FOR RESALE**





# Culture and Care of DAHLIAS

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Plant dahlias in spring after the ground is warm and danger of frost is past. From May 10th to June 10th in the central states. Lay tubers flat and cover four to six inches deep. Plant two feet apart in the rows and rows three to four feet apart.

Don't plant close to trees or large shrubbery on account of the tree roots using all the moisture. It is not advisable to plant on the south or west side of a building on account of the sun reflecting too hot on the plants. Always plant where the ground is well drained. Dahlias will grow in any good soil from pure sand to stiff clay, if water and fertilizer are added when needed. They usually bloom nicely without any water or additional fertilizer in the average garden where it will grow good potatoes and vegetables, if cultivated properly.

Cultivate dahlias each week and water occasionally. When dahlias begin to bud and bloom, stop cultivating but keep the weeds out; give the plants a good liberal dressing of bone meal, cow manure, sheep manure, or any fertilizer that is not too strong or has a tendency to burn the plant, keeping manure six inches away from the plant, and water thoroughly once each week, or mulch over manure with straw or lawn clippings. Drive a strong stake about ten inches from plant and tie the plant to prevent it blowing over.

When frost kills the plants in the fall, lift tubers carefully and cut off the stalks; then pack carefully in boxes with dirt or wrap with paper and put in paper cartons. Store in basement where they will not freeze or dry out. Leave in storage until planting time the next spring.

